

Tender handed stroke a nettle
And it stings you for your pains;
Grasp it like a man of mettle
And it soft as silk remains.—Aron Hill.

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The law of nature is: Do the thing and you shall have the power, but they who do not the thing have not the power.—Emerson.

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BOY SCOUTS OF PHILADELPHIA IN GARDEN PREPAREDNESS SHOW

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 12.—Armed with farm implements, thousands of boy scouts appeared yesterday afternoon in an agricultural preparedness parade. They were roundly applauded when passing the reviewing stand on the west side of the city hall, and were addressed by prominent citizens at the Third Regiment Armory. Only one troop did not participate in the parade, which was actually in service. This was No. 1111 of Germantown, which was actually in service—planting potatoes. Joseph S. MacLaughlin, director of supplies, was on the reviewing stand to represent Mayor Smith, with George D. Porter, formerly director of public safety, the scoutmaster. Governors of various states, who had been invited to attend, sent their regrets.

Progressive applause greeted the banners carried by the scouts, the favorite being, apparently, "Is Your Back Yard Patriotic?" Other banners read:

"Don't Be a Knocker."
"Stand by the President."
"If Our Fathers Are in the Trenches, We Will Be in the Furrows."
"Vacant Lots Are No Better than Vacant Ideas—Not a Single Slacker."
"Our Motto: Beauty Can't Fill a Stomach. Plant Vegetables, Not Roses."
"A Waster Is as Bad as a Loafer."
"Perspiration Goes with Preparation."

With their bands and fife-and-drum corps playing, the national colors saluted repeatedly, the scouts marched to the 3rd Regiment Armory, at Broad and Wharton streets. There they went through a short drill and listened to the brief talks on agricultural preparedness.

Charles Edwin Fox, scout commissioner, read the letters of regret. Governor Brumbaugh's contained the expression: "I would like to see every boy volunteer so that everybody may grow enough food to feed a soldier and in that way be a patriot."

A communication was read from Dr. Edwin E. Sparks, president of the Pennsylvania State College, concluding: "I hope every scout will plant and harvest enough food for the soldiers in the trenches, and in so doing they will accomplish as much for their country as the soldiers in the trenches."

Rabbi Joseph Krauskopf, president of the Farm School at Doylestown, spoke of the need of agricultural preparedness and the part the scouts can play in it.

Hugh S. Fullerton, "the grub scout" of New York, told the boys that their patriotic service would be of wonderful help to their country, and explained the importance of the task to which they had set themselves in accordance with their slogan, "Every scout feeds a soldier."

A letter was read by Mr. Fox from O. H. Benson of the United States Department of Agriculture at Washington. He wrote:

"It seems to me that if each boy scout would do the best he can as an individual and scout to increase the amount of foodstuffs this season, he would be doing his full patriotic duty. I believe that all scouts realize the importance of an adequate food supply, not only for the army, but for the civilian population, and I believe that the scouts will assist very materially in solving the problem of food conservation. I shall watch the results secured by the Philadelphia scout leaders with great interest."

ENGLAND'S BOY BABIES ARE CAUSE OF GREAT REJOICING

LONDON, Eng.—"It's a boy!" Ever since the war effects began to be felt in England these glad words have been heard more and more frequently. And today Sir Bernard Malles, registrar general of vital statistics, has recognized the glad tidings in his official report. The war has brought about an increase in the number of boy babies born, as compared with the number of girls.

The peculiar thing about these official statistics is that they support a popular superstition against all the wise sayings of the scientists. Everybody has heard that in war-time the percentage of boys rises and the percentage of girls falls in the birth records. It is an old wives' tale. It might even be known as an old midwives' tale, because it has been a familiar story for centuries. Scientists have scoffed at it. They have pointed out the undeniable fact that even in normal times there are more Clarence boys than Clara girls. They have asked for definite figures, and no figures were to be had.

Figures Confound Scientists
And now comes the most careful set of figures in the world to confound them. The silly old superstition is apparently right. The scientists were wrong. As for the reason, nobody knows.

In the first full year of the war 415,000 fathers were made proud by the announcement that "it's a boy." A goodly percentage of these announcements were received in dugouts or trenches, in Flanders or in Mesopotamia, because not every Tommy can arrange to be back in England when the great event is expected. But in comparison with these 415,000, only 400,000 girl babies arrived. That is, for every 1000 girls 1040 boys were born.

More Boys Than Girls
By themselves these figures don't begin to prove anything. But divide the births into quarters of the year. In the first quarter, ending March, 1915, the war effects had not yet begun to make themselves felt. The result in the birth records is, for every 1000 girls only 1032 boys. In the June quarter, which was partially affected by the war, the percentage rose to 1043 boys for every 1000 girls, and for the rest of the year it was even higher.

And in 1916, when every birth was entirely under war conditions, the figures are more startling still. There were from 1045 to 1051 boys to every 1000 girls.

The general average for this year is 1047 to every 1000 girls, and it is the highest ever recorded in the last 50 years of England's history. No other war has affected her so much, and no other conditions have affected the proportions at all. It was, apparently, the Great War, with its untold sacrifices of men, that brought more men-children to take their place in the next generation.

Old Theory Overworked
Before these facts were published the men of science had already discounted them. Toward the end of 1915 and the beginning of 1916 country correspondents began to send special reports in to the London papers, telling about the phenomenal "run" of boys in their neighborhood. "The well-known theory" that nature makes up for the men slain in wars by producing more male children was almost worked to death.

MRS. VICTORIA KAMANO IS STRICKEN SUDDENLY
Mrs. Victoria Kamano, wife of Peter Kamano of 2149 King street, Kalihi, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Nalua of that district at 11:30 o'clock last Monday morning. Death came suddenly, being due to paralysis and cerebral hemorrhage.

Mrs. Kamano was 57 years of age, and was a native of Molokai. She was born on May 22, 1861.

The husband, Peter Kamano, is keeper of the Kanahena light station on Maui. He had last seen his wife shortly before Christmas of last year. Funeral arrangements will be announced after his arrival here, probably tomorrow. A son, Peter Kamano, Jr., is employed at Hackfeld's as shipping clerk. Two other children survive her.

Capt. John Lyon, skipper of a ferryboat between Nyack and Tarrytown, has begun his sixty-fifth year with the company.

The Days of Real Sport

By BRIGGS



WEST EXPLAINS HOW SCOUTS CAN HELP IN CRISIS

The following important letter has been received from James E. West, chief scout executive:

SPECIAL EMERGENCY LETTER TO ALL SCOUT OFFICIALS

Dear Fellow Worker:

Now is the Time to Prove Practical Value of Scouting

As never before the scout movement is being more and more appreciated by our government and people. Special requests for cooperation have already come from the department of agriculture and the navy department. Definite plans have been worked out for cooperation with the American Red Cross. In each city or town scouts have formally offered their services through the civic authorities. The Boy Scouts of America are going to prove that their motto, "Be Prepared," and their obligation to do their duty to their country has a practical value. Surely all of us can be proud of our part in developing the program of scouting as promoted by the Boy Scouts of America. The time, energy, patience, self-restraint and the many self-sacrifices necessary on the part of all who serve as leaders, result in large dividends. All that we do in support of this movement is a substantial patriotic service to our country.

Every Scout to Feed a Soldier

The slogan, "Every Scout to Feed a Soldier," by promoting the production and the conservation of food has been accepted enthusiastically throughout the whole country. Mr. Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the committee on food conservation of the National Council of Defense, in a cablegram from England has urged the Boy Scouts of America to be responsible for increasing the production of beans (field or navy beans) tenfold. Beans are very nutritious and easy to raise most anywhere. Consult local agricultural authorities before planting.

War Service Emblems will be awarded as follows:

1. To every scout who successfully conducts a garden of his own and induces nine other people to do the same, or to increase their acreage.
2. To every troop in which every scout does the same.
3. To the scout who stands at the head of the list for the whole United States for the number of gardens started and successfully conducted through his efforts.
4. To the troop which stands at the head of the list for the whole United States.
5. To the local councils which stand at the head of the list for the whole country.

Full details will be published in later editions of Scouting and Boys' Life.

Take Down Your Wireless

The President has by proclamation ordered that all wireless stations be dismantled. Scout officials are urged to cooperate not only in having all such stations belonging to scouts dismantled but with the aid of carefully selected older boys to keep on the alert for finding other wireless stations contrary to the law. Information concerning these should be reported to the police authorities without delay.

Associate Scout

(See page 22, 15th edition of Handbook for Boys.)

Now is the time for scout officials to rally all former scouts and have them register with the troop even though they cannot do more than become associate members, and thus help us in our war service activities, and be prepared for any emergency.

BEAUTY CHATS

By EDNA KENT FORBES

The Beauty Of Mind

BEAUTY IS NOT SKIN DEEP—at least, it shouldn't be. One of the most beautiful women I ever knew was fifty years old; she had wrinkles and crow's-feet and gray hair and all the other marks of that age, but she was usually the prettiest woman in any assemblage. And a lot of this was because she had read nearly everything good, and was a wonderful talker.

Her beautiful mind made her face beautiful. The much-talked-about, placid-featured, pretty, little "nobody home" type can hold its own for a time, but in the end the girl that knows a lot and can talk well is voted the most popular. The girl with the vacant mind ceases to please soon enough, for even the dullest man or woman eventually wants something that can interest his intellect as well as his eyes.

And—which should interest the beauty seeker even more—a bright mind means a prettier face. The beauty of the face is not in its features so much as in its expression, and a blank expression is certainly not an ornament.

Read a lot—as much as you can find time to, without neglecting your daily exercise, your work and the care of your person. Read the good standard literature first, till you've gained an intimate knowledge of the best that has been written in each age and country—and then read the choice of the modern literature.

A large order, you will think—but you've your lifetime in front of you. And when the inevitable time comes, when massage refuses to hide the tiny wrinkles and you know that the first of youth has passed—well, you will appreciate doubly the developed mind and the greater beauty that cultivation has given you.

Questions and Answers

How does one use henna, and does it cost much?

Reply—Better have a professional hair-dresser do it the first time, to show you the method. Full directions come on every box. I think it is half a dollar a box, but why adopt the habit?

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An intelligent mind gives a certain compelling beauty to the face, better than even perfect features

IN OREGON

SALEM, Ore. — Oregon boy scouts are being commissioned state game wardens by Governor James Withycombe and State Game Warden Carl Showmaker in an endeavor to develop higher ideals of sportsmanship and encourage interest in protection of fish and game among the boys.

No boys are commissioned unless they pass an examination on the state game and fish laws. Marion Stroup and Roy Anderson, Portland, received the first commission. It is expected over 100 more will be commissioned.

LECTURE

"The Russian Revolution"

Madame Aino Malmberg of Finland will deliver a lecture on the Russian Revolution Thursday evening, May 24, at 8 o'clock, at Haleiwa Hotel. Tickets 50 cents.—Adv.

SEEK RELATIVES OF DICK RICHARD, SAILOR

Governor Pinkham has received word from Washington asking for information as to the relatives of one Dick Richard, a sailor, supposed to have been a resident of Honolulu. Richards was lost in the wreck of the steamer Heidrun in December, 1915, on which boat he was a stoker. He had shipped at Villa Real the previous September, stating that he belonged at Honolulu. The sailor

SCOUTS ARE IN GETTING RETURNS ELECTION NIGHT

Boy Scouts of Honolulu did a very creditable deed on Saturday night, May 19, in securing returns from the primary election for the two Honolulu papers. Rudolph E. Noon arranged the details with Editor Allen of the Star-Bulletin and the scouts sent in their reports promptly and in good order, mostly by teleph. Though two scouts brought the reports into the Star-Bulletin election headquarters.

The work was done as a practical training in citizenship as well as in the line of general usefulness and the scouts have received much praise for their efficiency. The following scouts were on the assignment:

Ray Jacobson and W. Sampson, first precinct, fourth district, Kalihi.

Walter Matheson and William Holt, second precinct, fourth district, Wai-kihi.

Richard Simonton and P. Ewing, tenth precinct, fourth district, Paaoa.

Edward Silva and Henry Cipp, ninth precinct, fifth district, Kalihi.

Carl Mortensen, tenth precinct, fifth district, Kalihi-waena.

John Felix and Rudolph Duncan, eleventh precinct, fifth district, King street, near Kalaupani school.

MR. HOOVER, HEAD OF NATION'S FOOD COMMISSION, URGES BOY SCOUTS TO RAISE BEANS FOR OUR ALLIES

On April 16 the chief scout executive cabled to Mr. Herbert C. Hoover, whom President Wilson named as chairman of the National Food Commission, saying: "Two hundred fifty thousand Boy Scouts of America tender services as your aides as producers and conservers of food as service to our country." This answer sent by Mr. Hoover from London, has been received:

Cablegram
April 19, 1917. 3:45 P. M.
Mr. James E. West, Chief Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America, New York City.

The prime service of our country in this war is ships and food, and we can here display the true American spirit at great efforts.

In order to provide the food necessary we must from this moment eliminate all waste and stimulate production at every point. We must send to our Allies more wheat, corn, beans, meat, bacon and lard than we have ever sent before if their men are to fight and their women and children to live; and our people must economize and eat other things.

Among these food-stuffs couldn't the scouts take as their own province the stimulation of bean production, for there is not only a great shortage at Europe and at home, but they are the best of foods. Let them help make America able to export ten times as many beans as she ever exported before. To do this, let the boy scouts see to it that they are planted everywhere, so that the biggest bean crop ever known shall be the bean contribution of the Boy Scouts to America and her allies.

(Signed) HERBERT HOOVER.

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had wages amounting to \$73.34 still due him, which has been sent from Norway to Washington for distribution to his heirs.

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